Mr. C. J. Mathew.—With reference to the answers given to sub-divisions (6) and (7), may I knowwould it not be better to send a man outside and get him trained ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—Government do not consider it worthwhile to send a man outside the State to foreign countries to get him trained in this line. We had people sent from here to foreign countries to be trained. As in the case of the present Pottery expert, Mr. Balappa, when he came down here, conditions were so different that it proved a complete failure.

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Suppose we send a Cochinite to Japan or anywhere else ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—People who go to Japan have to work under great disabilities. They are not given facilities to train themselves as we would wish them to train.

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Is the Government of opinion that there is absolutely no good in getting a Cochinite trained in Potteries in Japan or anywhere else ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—All previous experiments have proved a failure. If any Cochinite gets himself trained and gives us satisfaction that he is able to work the Potteries, then Government will be glad to entertain him.

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Will the Government give an assurance ?

Mr. V. K. Aravindaksha Menon.—It depends on certain other factors also. So Government cannot give an assurance now.

Cohcin Tanneries.

76. **Mr. C. J. Mathew.**—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(1) whether the Government have come to any definite conclusion as to whether they should recover the loan advanced to the Cochin Tanneries, Ltd. by proceeding against the properties of the said Company; or

(2) whether they should start to work the Company themselves;

(3) whether any offers have come since 1103 (except that of one Mr. Nettoo) to lease the concern, and if so, from whom and under what terms;

(4) whether Mr. A. B. Salem or anybody else at his instance or through him has made any offer, and if so, when;

(5) if there is no offer or proposal at present pending disposal, why is it the Government do not take to some definite

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course of action either to work the concern by the Government or to take steps to realise the loan advanced to the Company;

(6) if they are still waiting for some one to make an acceptable offer with reasonable terms, why do not they advertise their intention in the *Madras*, *Bombay* and *Calcutta Dailies*?

Mr. K. Krishna Pisharodi.—(1) A suit has been filed against the Company to recover the loan.

(2) This alternative does not now arise.

(3) and (4) None that the Government are aware of.

(5) and (6) Vide answer to parts (1) and (2).

Mr. C. J. Mathew.—May I know at what stage the suit is now, and whether it has been decreed?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—It has not been decreed.

President.—The suit has been filed. Notices will have to go to the defendants, they have to put in written statement, etc. All these will have to follow.

Law Reporters.

77. Mr. C. J. Mathew.—Will the Government kindly state the names of the Law Reporters in their successive order from the time this office was created up-to-date?

Rama Varmha Tampuran.—The Law Reporters in their successive order are

Messrs.—(1) Marayil Krishna Menon
(2) C. S. Subramania Ayyar
(3) M. P. Cherian
(4) Karimpatta Achyuta Menon
(5) T. S. Narayana Ayyar
(6) T. G. Anantanarayana Ayyar
(7) P. Padmanabha Menon
(8) S. Govinda Menon

Promotion of teachers.

78. Mr. K. T. Mathew.—Will the Government be pleased to state:—

(a) whether promotions of teachers are made according to seniority, and if not, on what other considerations they are made;

(b) are Science and lady graduates given Dreference to other graduates in the same grade in giving promotion;

(c) what is the starting salary given in the department to those who have passed (1) M. A., (2) B. L. and (3) B. A. (Hons.) Degree examinations and whether these graduates will be given (because of the higher qualifications they possess) preference to other graduates in giving promotions;

(d) what is the starting salary given to ordinary graduates in the Department;

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